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Correcting Overseas Housing Allowance (OHA)

Overview

Introduction

This guide provides the procedures for a SPO to correct and approve an OHA transaction in Direct Access (DA).

References

- (a) Coast Guard Pay Manual, COMDTINST M7220.29
- (b) Joint Travel Regulations (JTR), Chapters 8-10
- (c) Overseas Housing Allowance (OHA) Briefing Sheet, PDTATAC
- (d) OHA Tables, Joint Travel Regulations (JTR), Appendix K
- (e) CG Portal: Overseas Housing Allowance Knowledge Base

Important Information

If an OHA transaction is denied for any reason, it is IMPORTANT to remember that the most recent approved OHA transaction will continue to run, and therefore continue to pay/not pay the member. The only way to stop/start an OHA entitlement is to ensure a new row is approved. The new row may be an Active row updating the OHA entitlement or an Inactive row, stopping the OHA entitlement.

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Fixed Exchange Rate

If the Fixed Exchange Rate is displaying an incorrect rate (does not match the exchange rate listed in reference (d)), uncheck the Fixed Exchange Rate box and click Save. Re-check the Fixed Exchange Rate box and click Save again. This should populate the correct exchange rate per reference (d).

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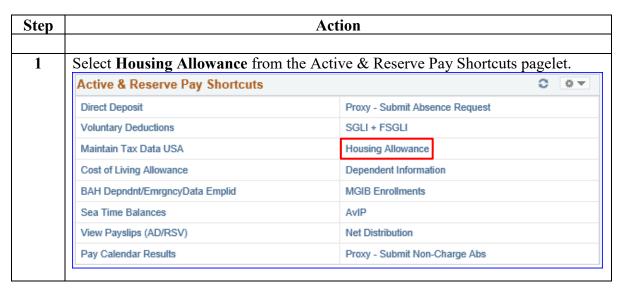
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- 2. Approve the addition.
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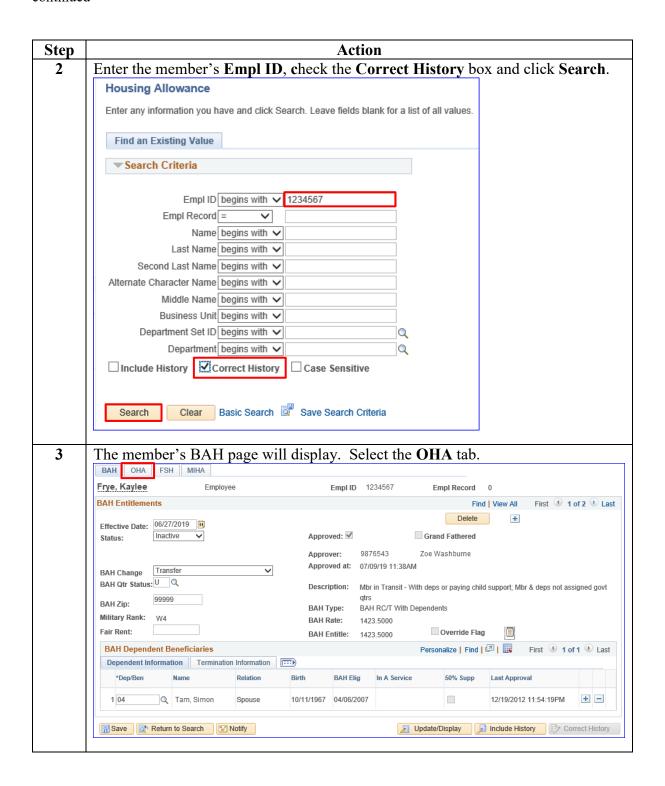
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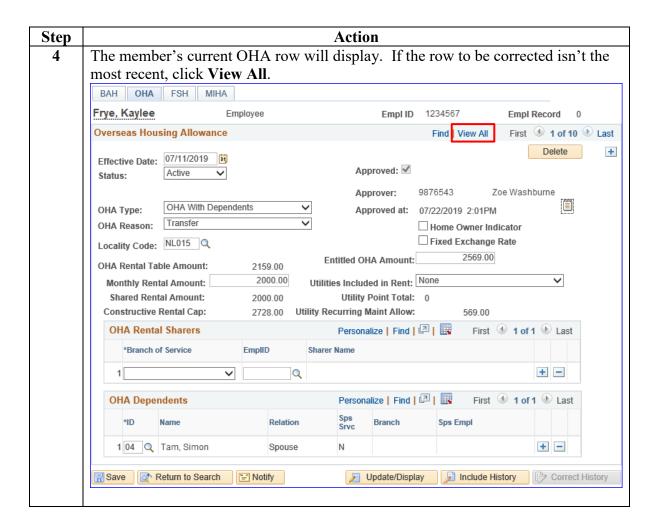
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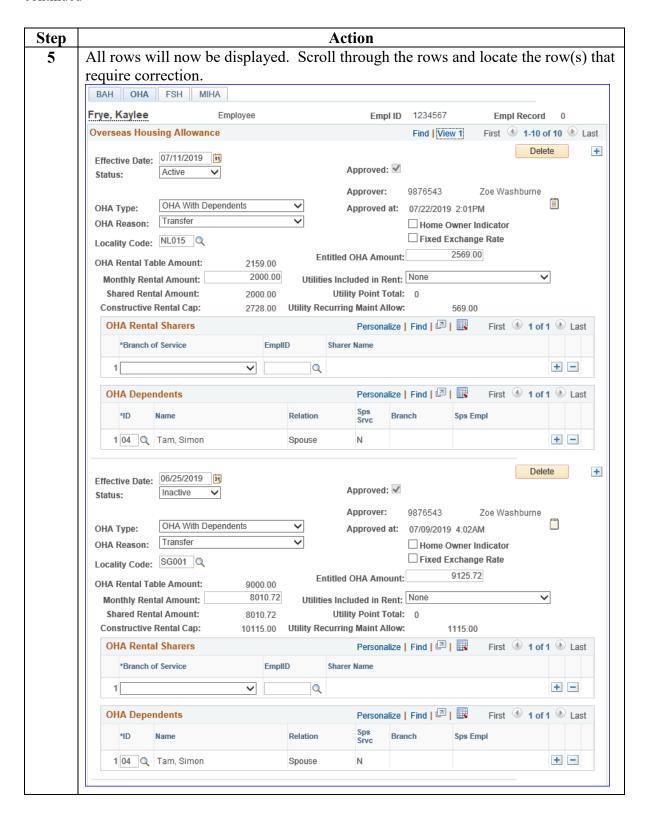
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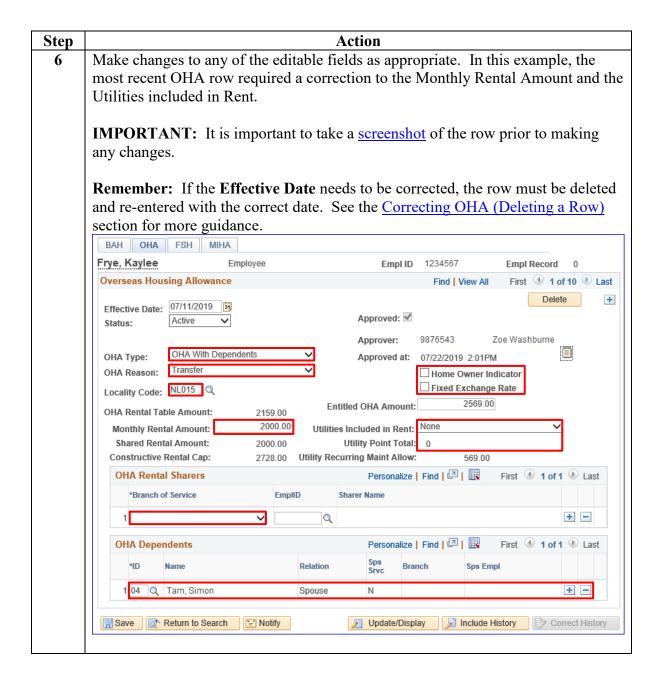
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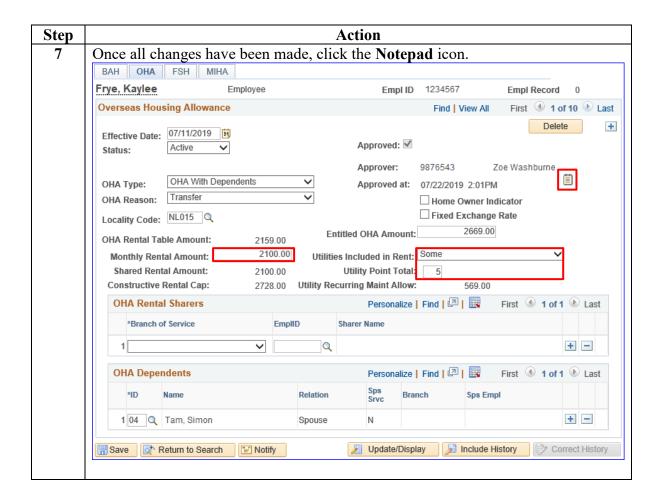
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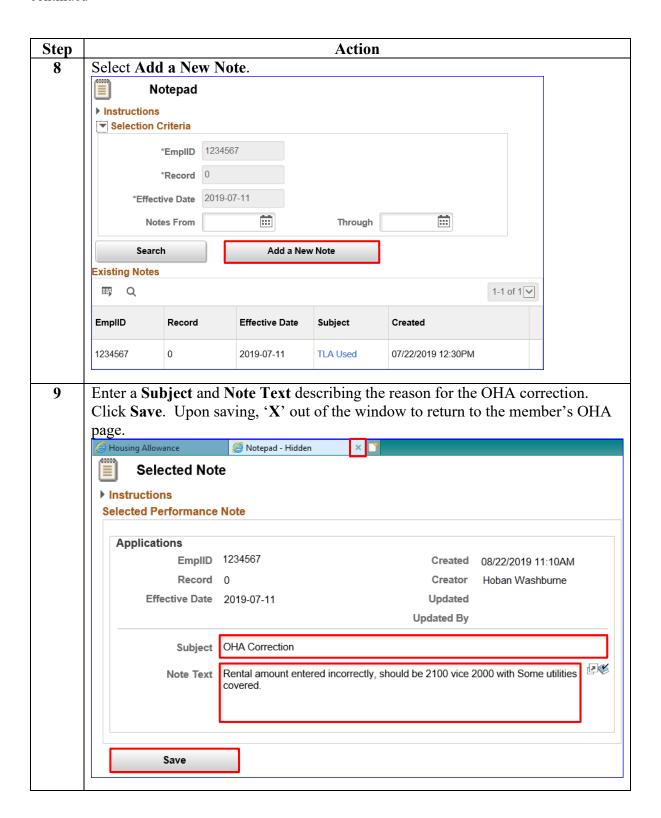
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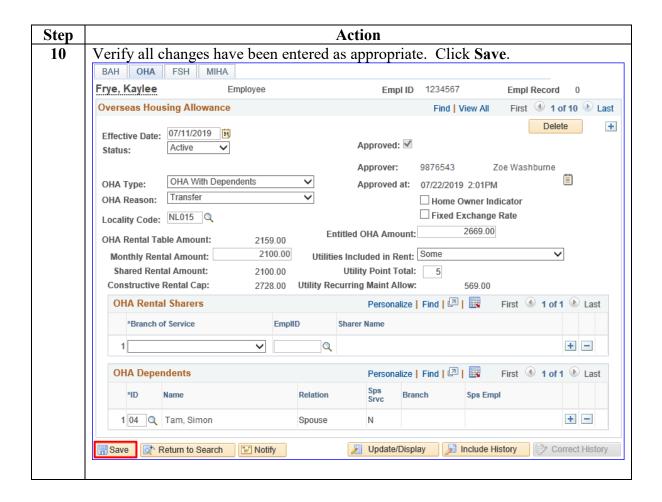
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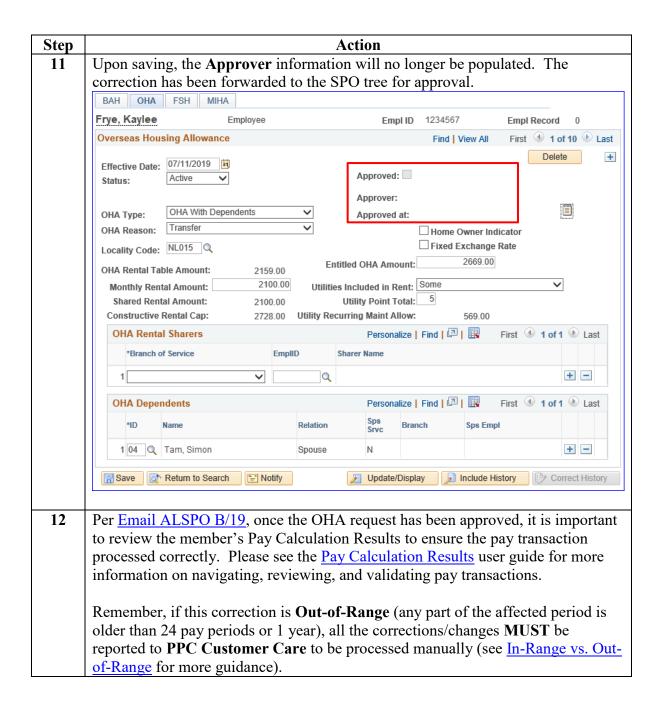
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Correcting OHA (Inserting a Row)

Introduction

This section provides the procedures for a SPO to insert a row and make corrections to existing rows of a member's Overseas Housing Allowance (OHA) in Direct Access (DA).

Corrections and Timing

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- 2. Approve the deletion.
- 3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 until the entire affected period is deleted.

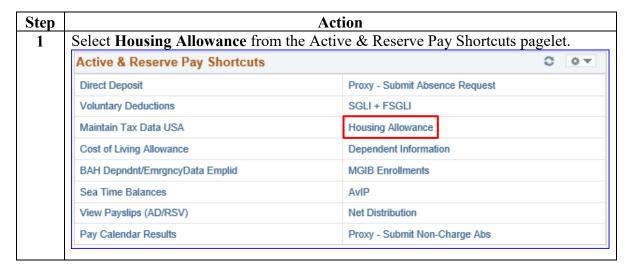
Then, add OHA row(s), from oldest to newest.

- 1. Add the oldest OHA row with the correct information.
- 2. Approve the addition.
- 3. Repeat steps 1 & 2 until the entire period is added.

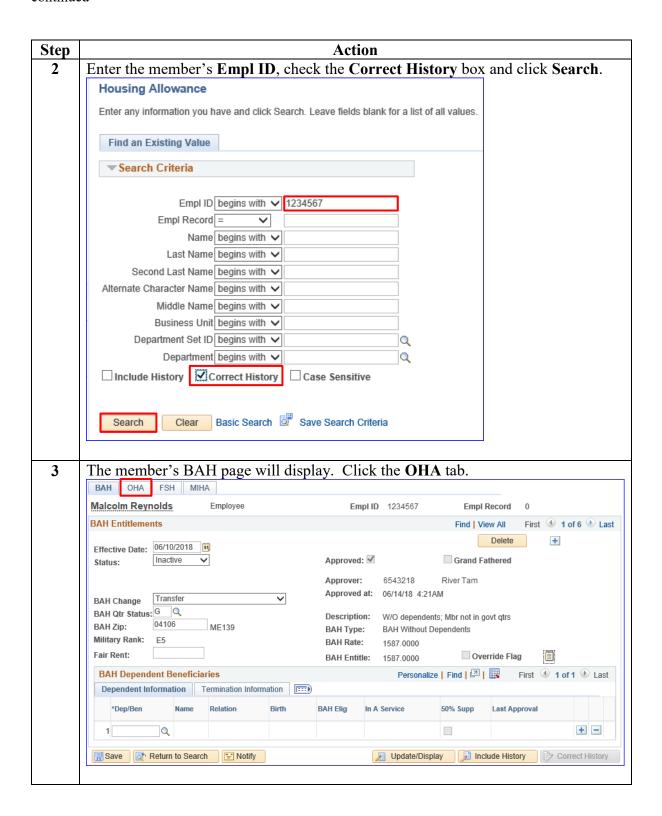
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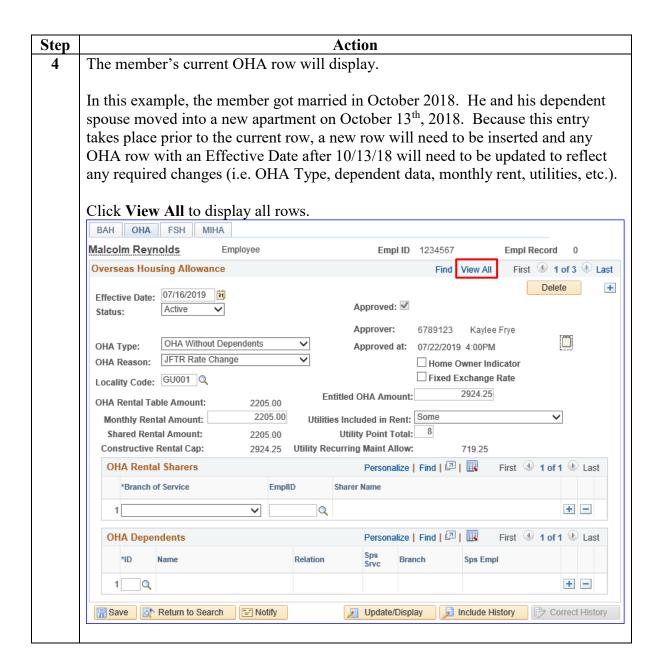
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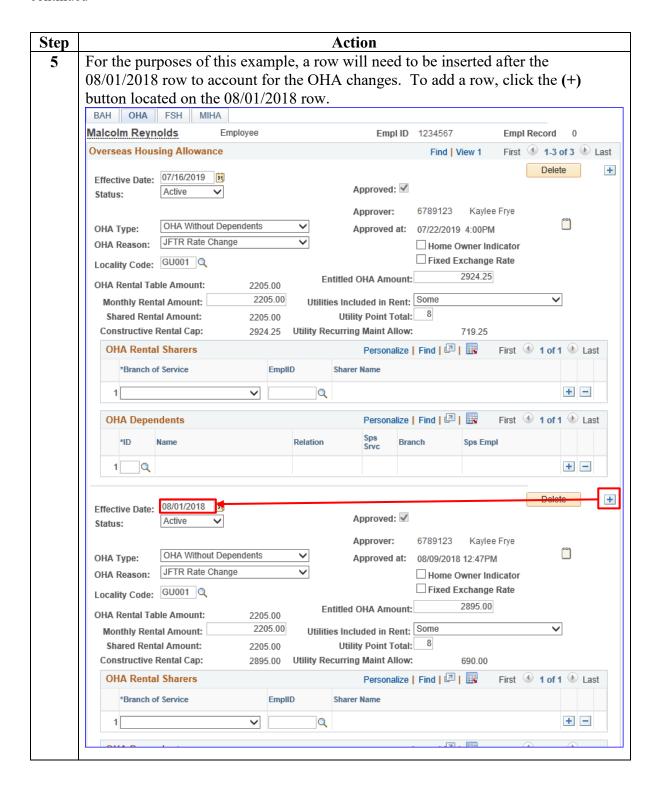
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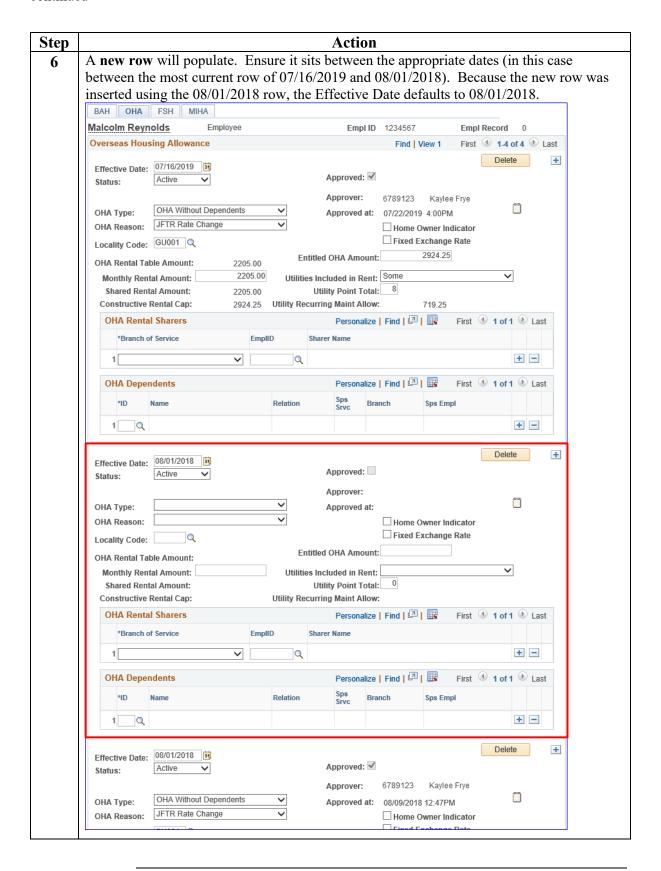
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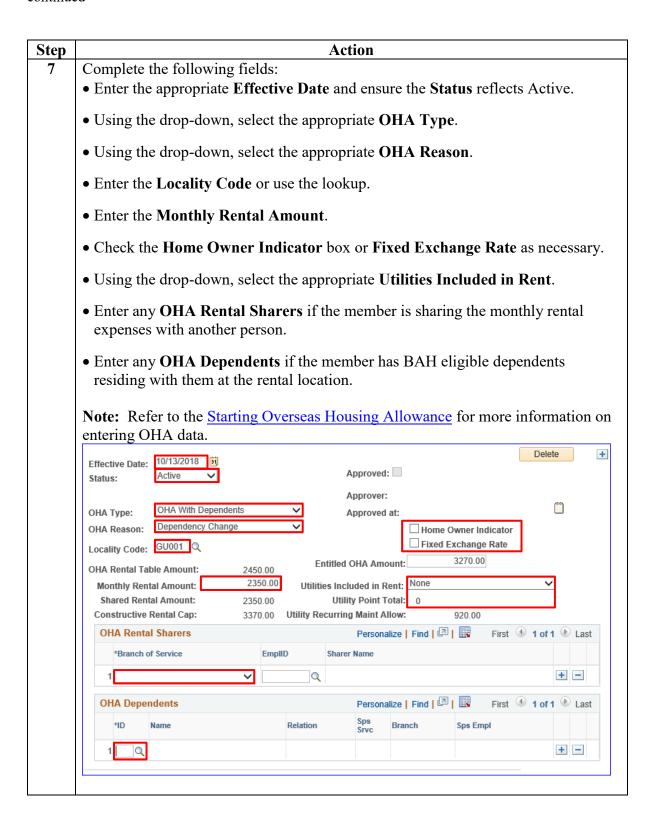
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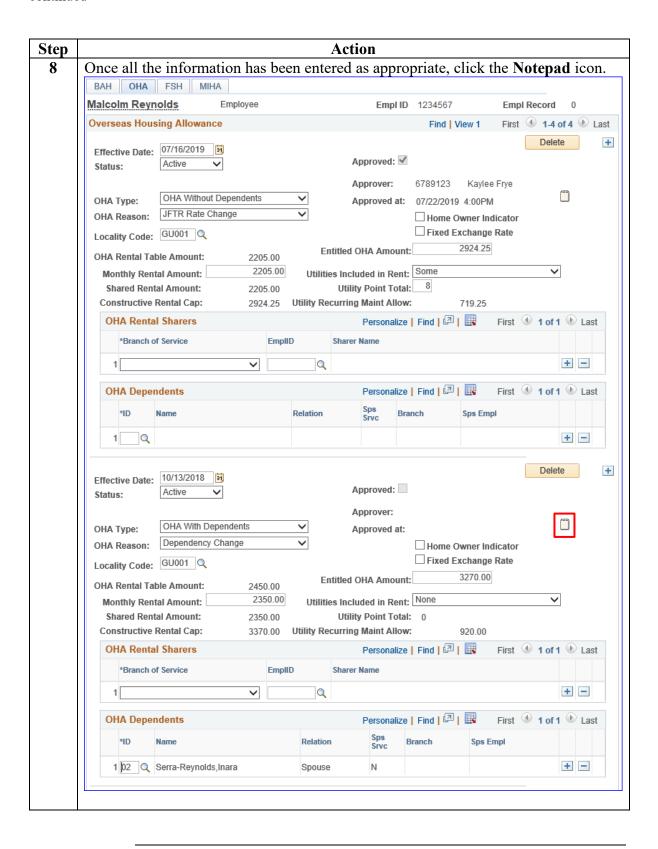
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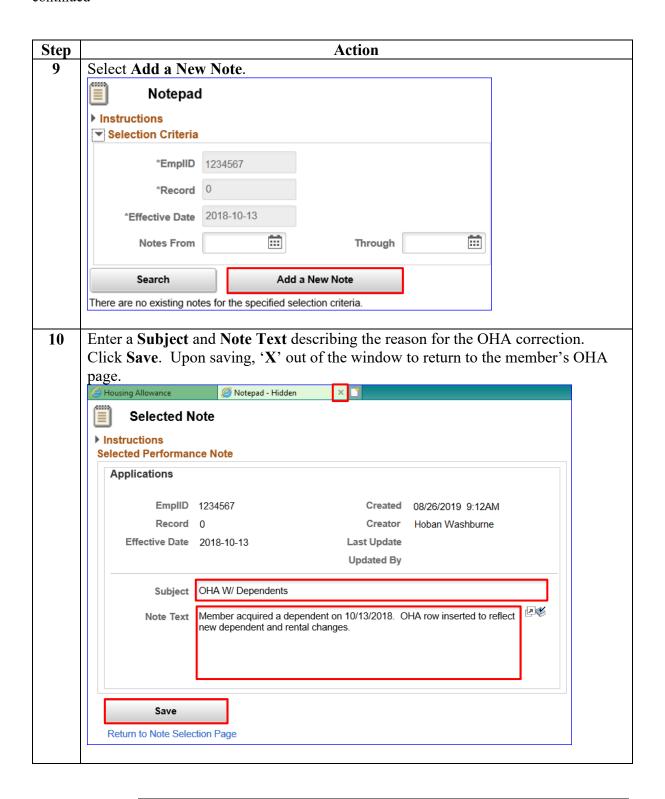
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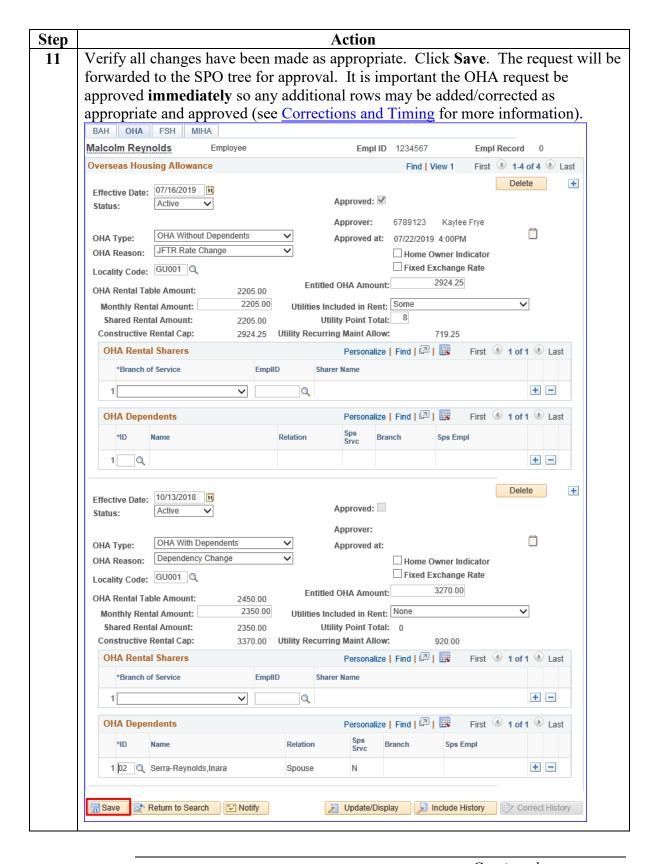
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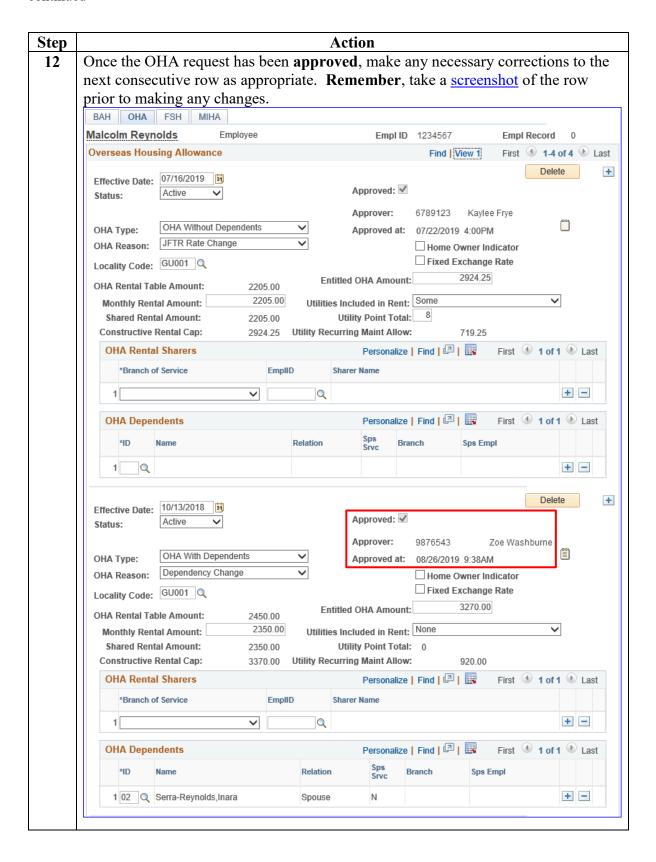
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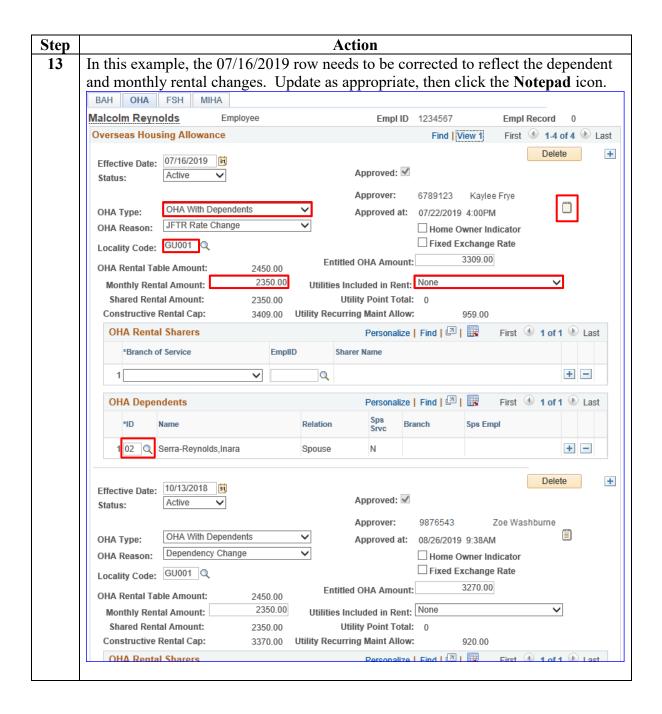
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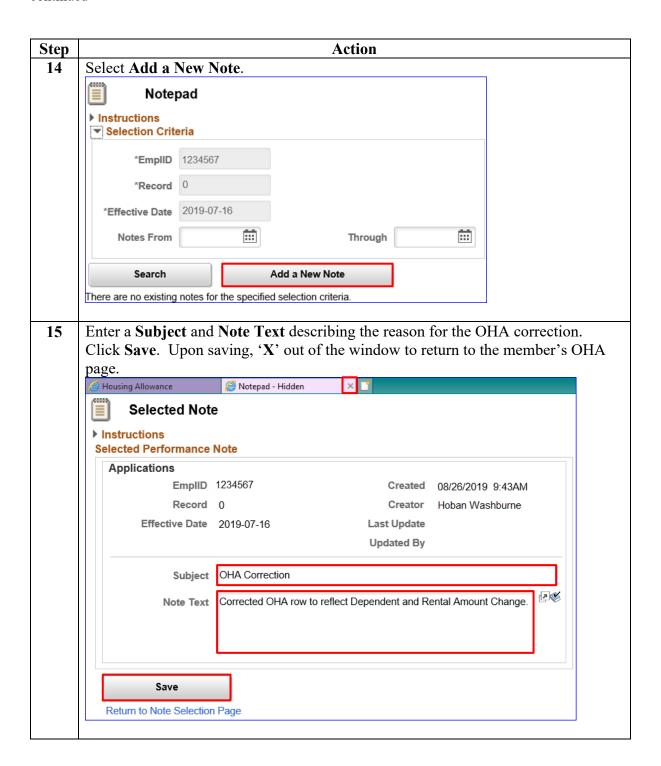
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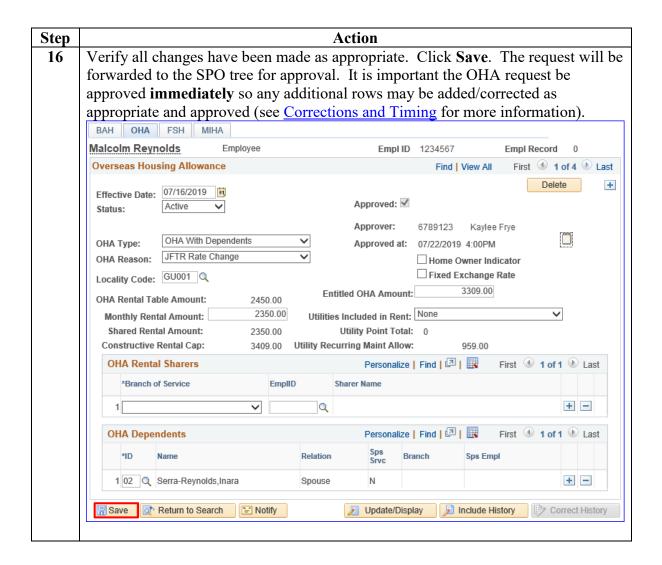
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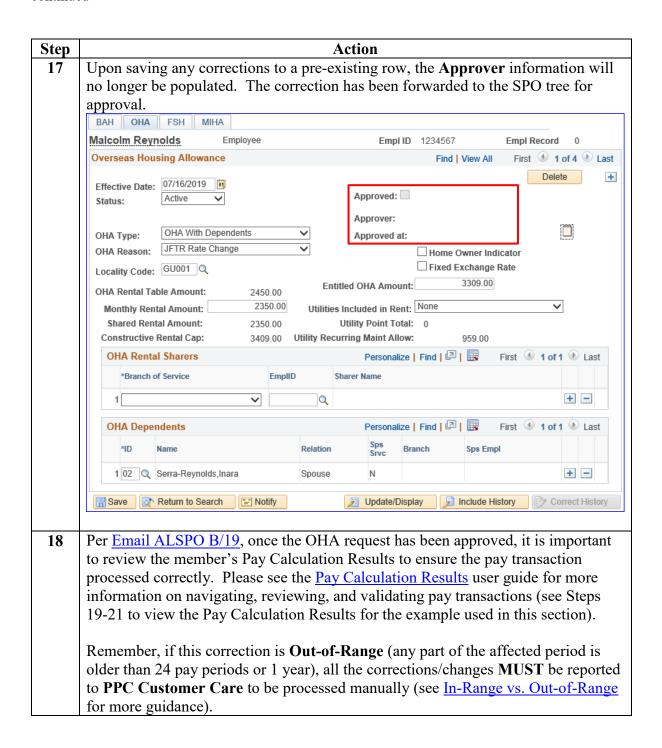
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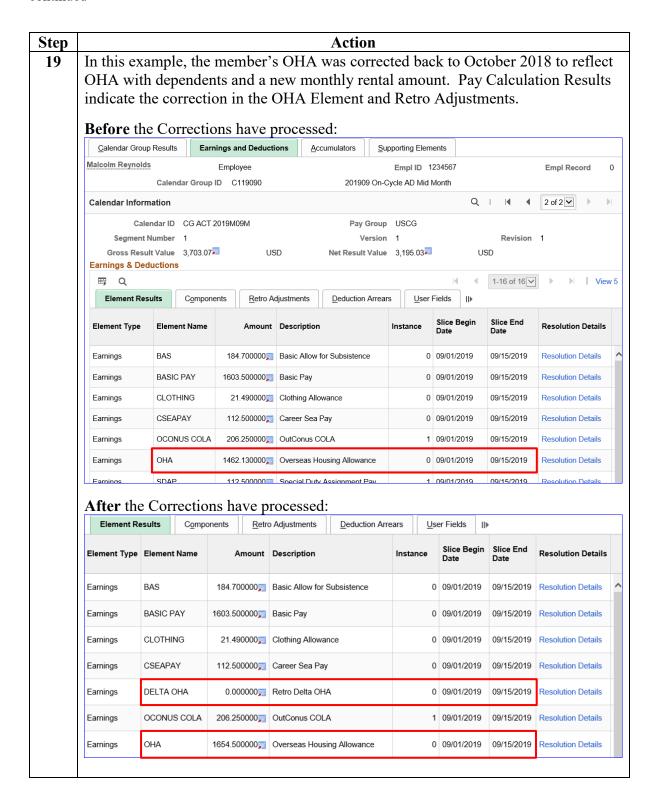
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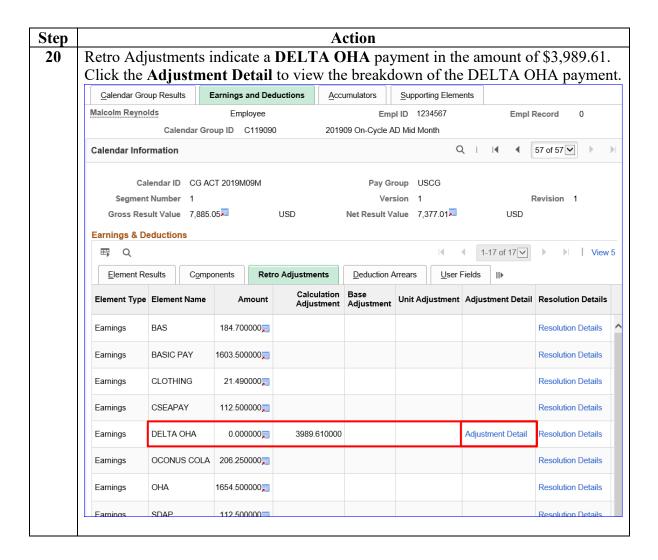
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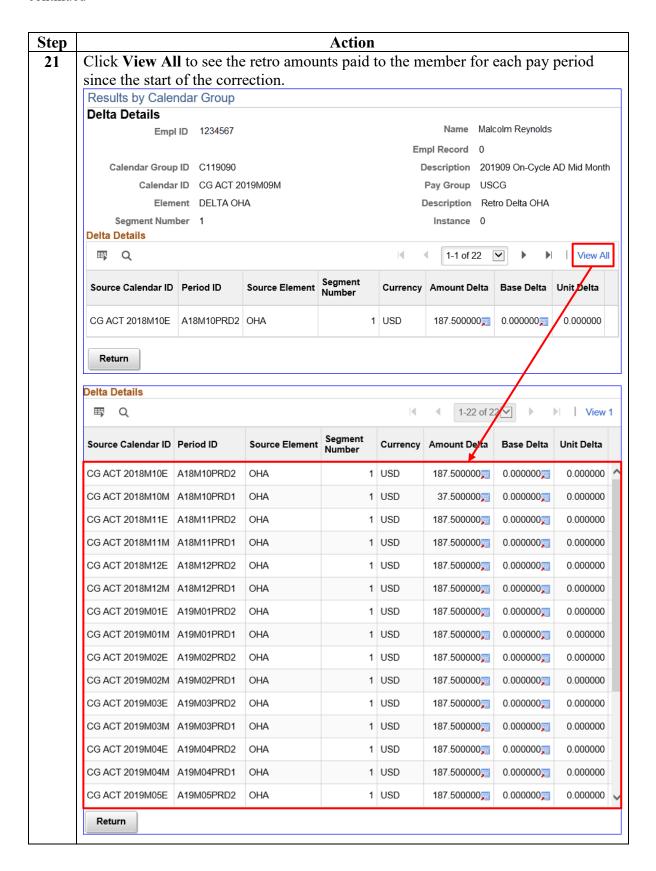
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Correcting OHA (Deleting a Row)

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Corrections and Timing

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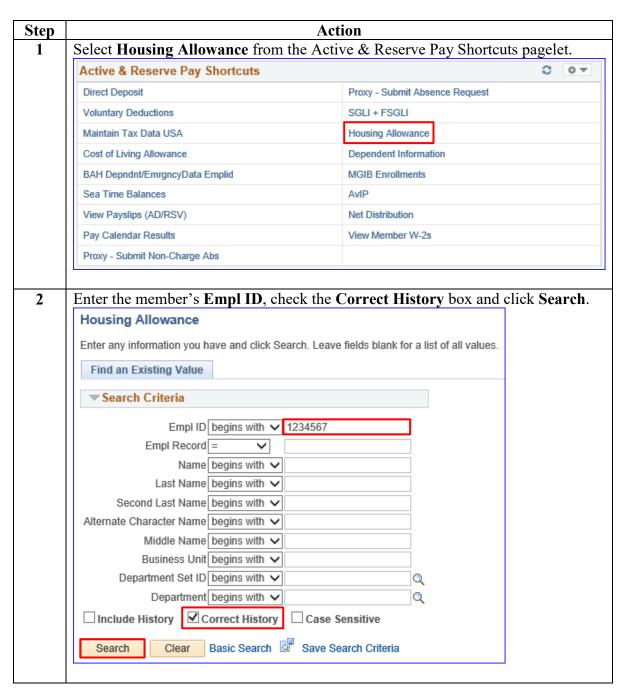
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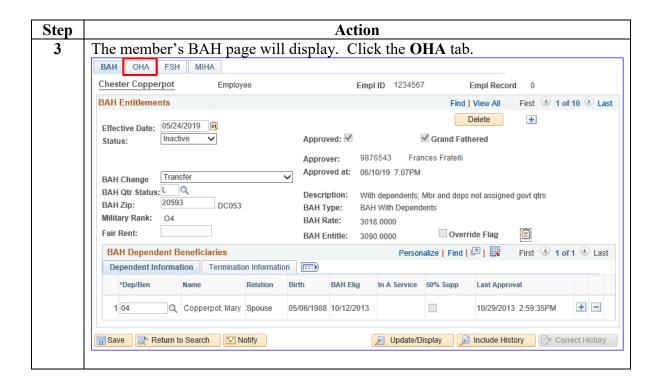
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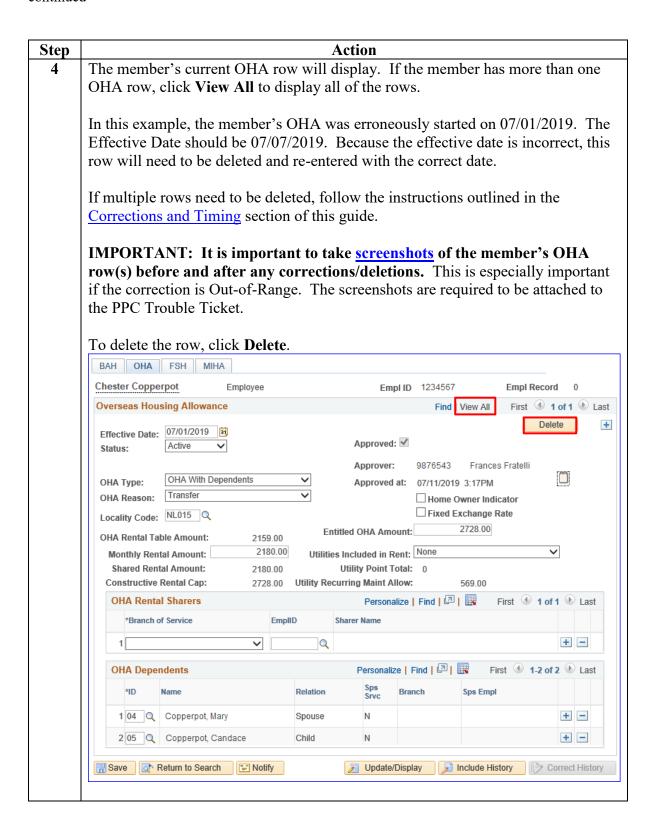
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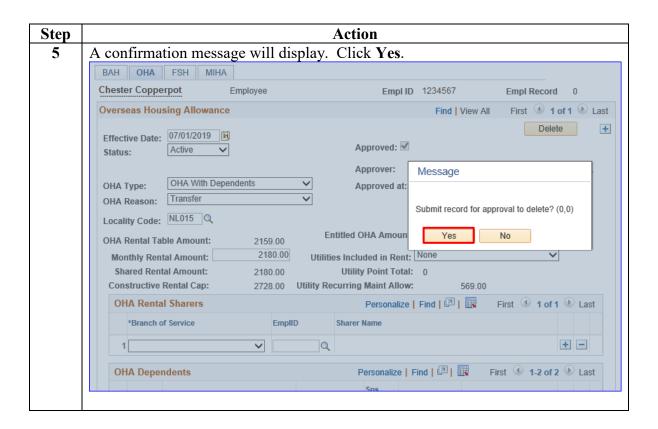
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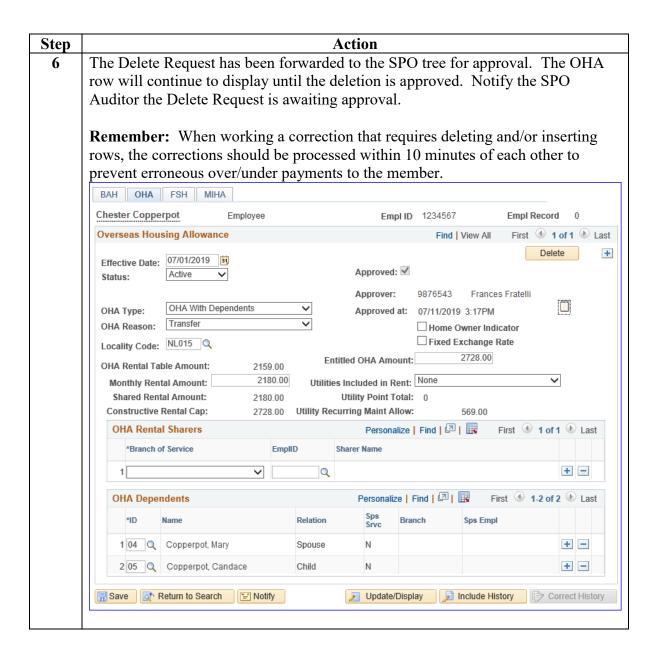
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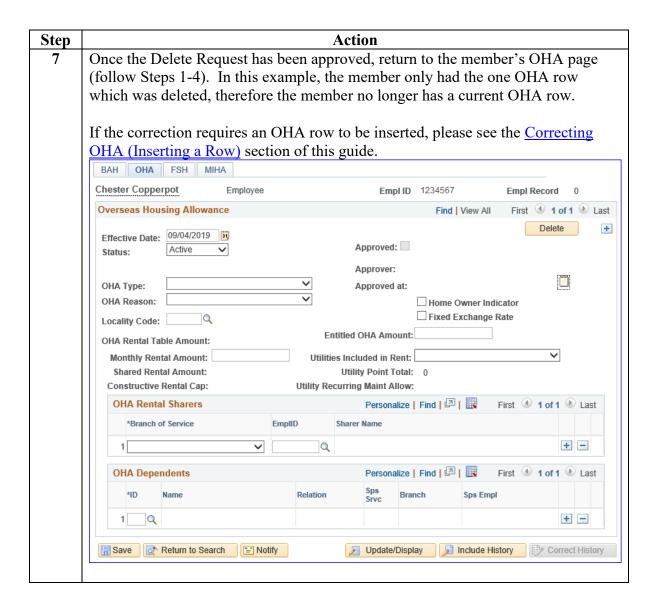
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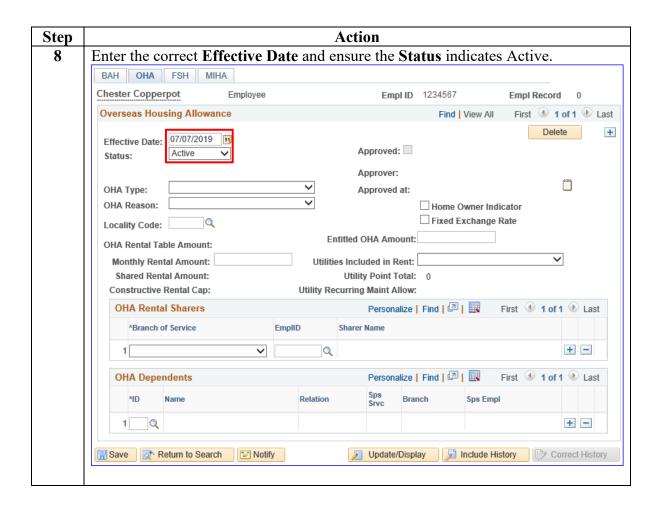
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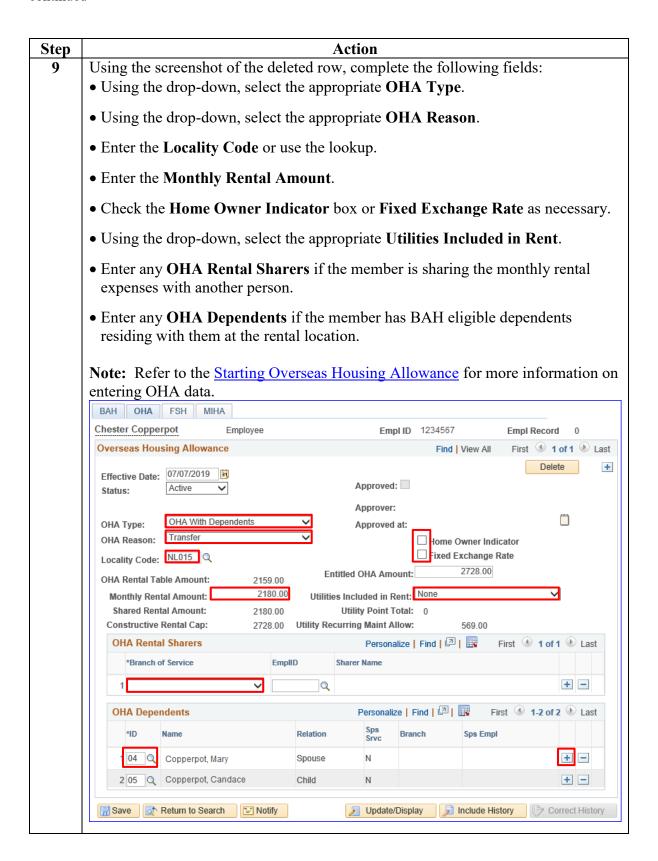
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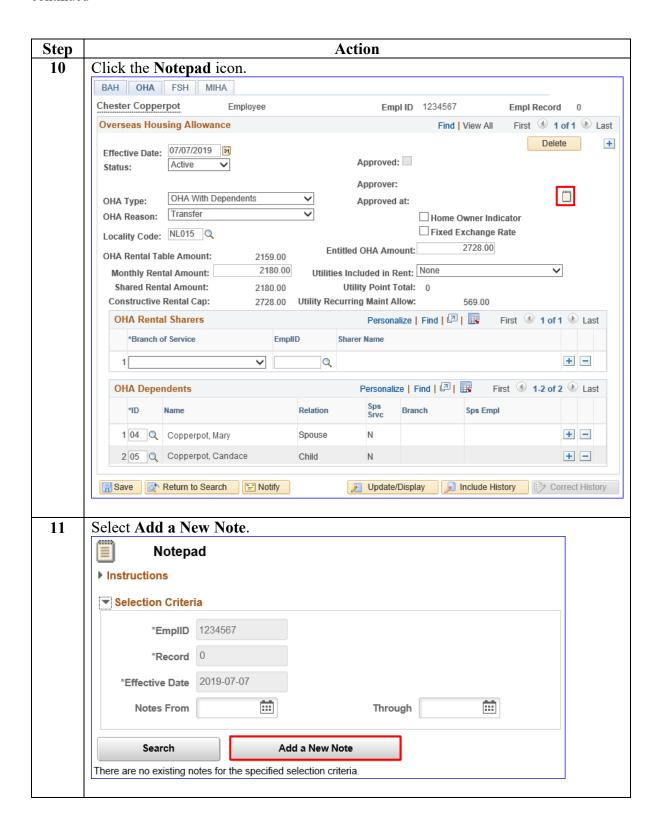
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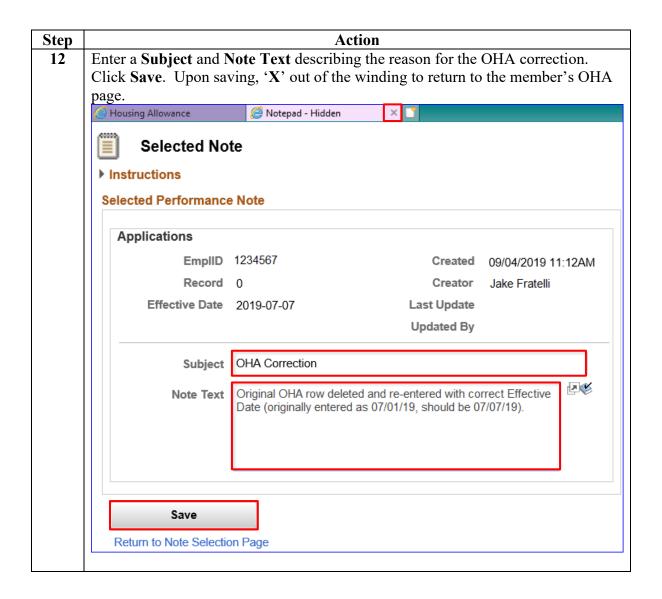
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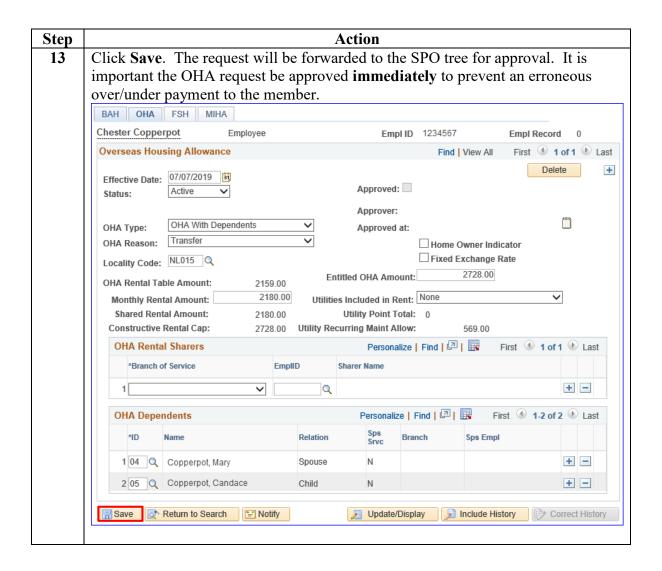
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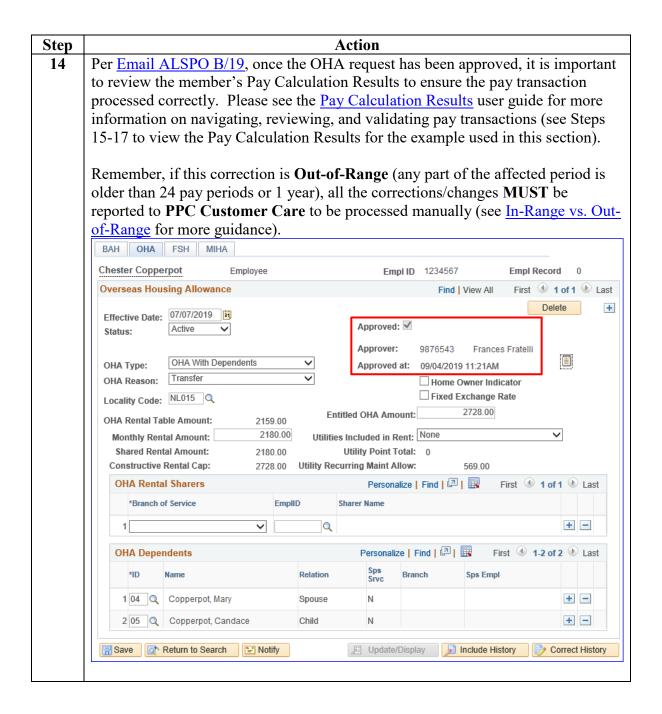
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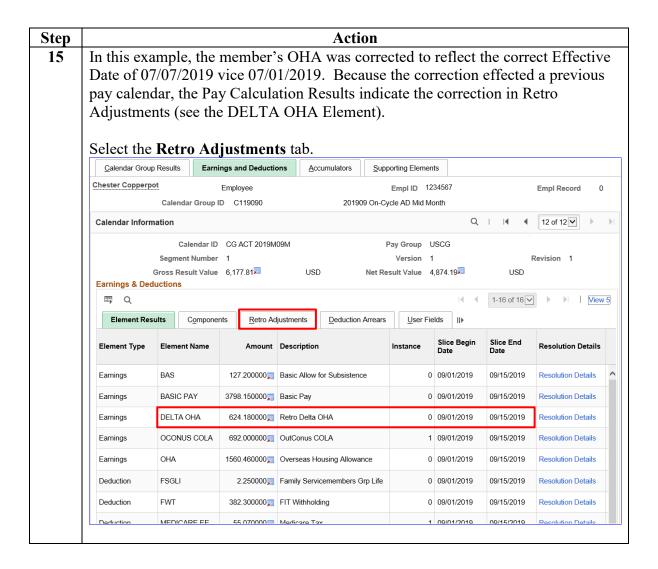
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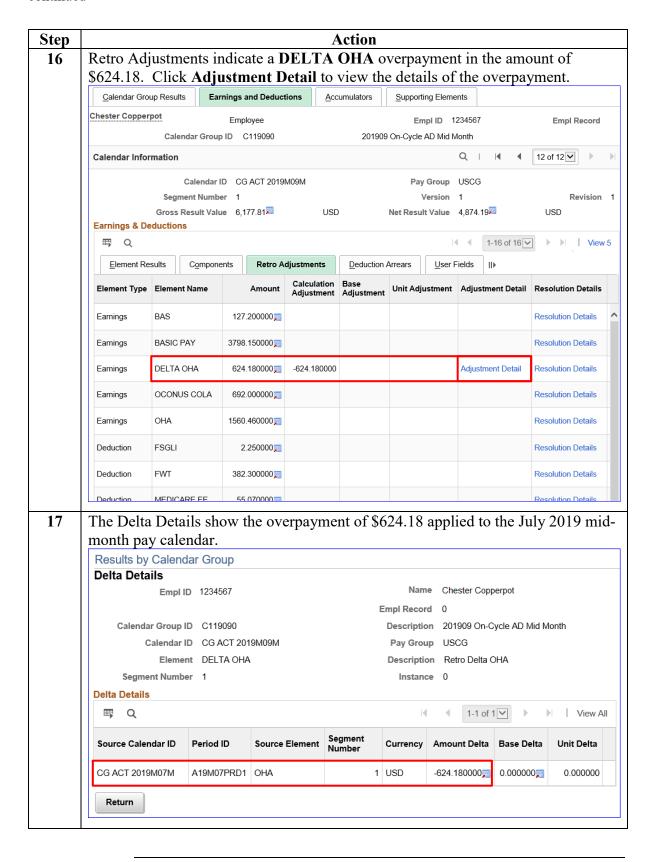
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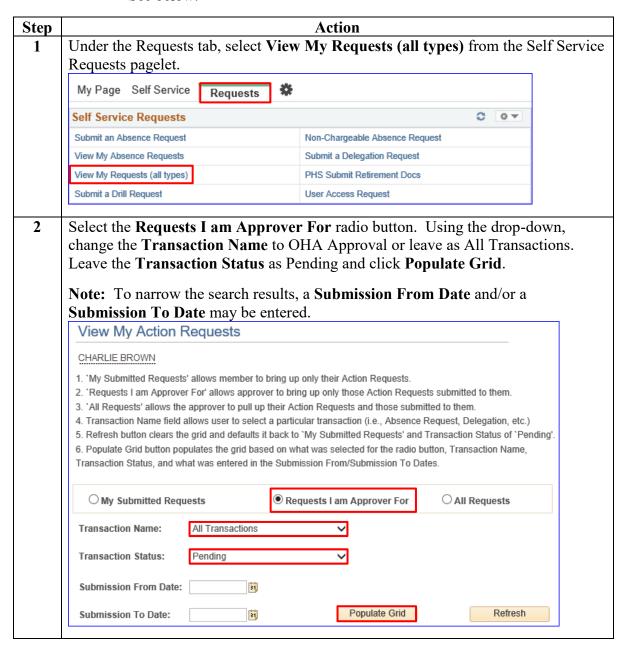
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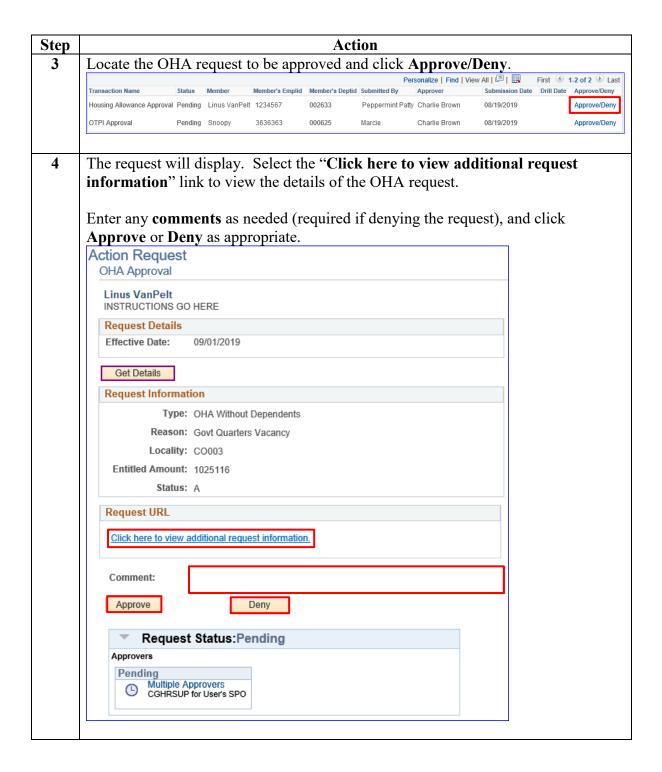
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